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## Trump Sold-Out His Base to Shovel \$95 Billion to Ukraine and Israel

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Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene

The man who is most responsible for the \$95 billion giveaway to Ukraine and Israel, is the same guy who pretends to oppose America’s “wasteful” foreign wars. Donald Trump. It was Trump who consulted with Speaker Mike Johnson about the contents of the Ukraine aid package, just as it was Trump who concocted the idea of issuing loans instead of dispersing the standard welfare handout. It was also Trump who said:

“I stand with the Speaker, (Mike Johnson)” after which he added that Johnson is doing “a very good job.”

A “good job”??

So, secretly collaborating with the Democrat leadership to push through **a bill that “reauthorizes FISA to spy on the American people without a warrant, (bans Tik**

**Tok) fully funds Joe Biden's DOJ** that has indicted President Trump 91 times, and giving Biden's political gestapo **a brand new FBI building bigger than the Pentagon," while not providing a dime to protect the southern border** from the swarms of people entering the country illegally, is doing a "good job"?

The question we should all be asking ourselves is why has Trump decided to participate in this scam? He keeps saying that if he was president, he'd end the war in Ukraine in a day. If he's sincere about that, then why did he collaborate on a bill that will drag the war out for another year or two? This is from a Twitter post by political analyst Michael Tracey:

Mission Accomplished. **It is done: Donald Trump and the House GOP just completed one of the most epic swindles in political history, with Trump personally effectuating the largest-ever disbursement of Ukraine funding through his emissary, "MAGA Mike Johnson"** (as Trump lovingly calls him) The \$61 billion passed this afternoon is likely enough to underwrite the brutal, pointless trench warfare for at least another year or two. This after the same old endless media screeching that Trump and MAGA Republicans were being brainwashed by Putin and would never fund Ukraine. That fundamental hoax continues — only this time Trump was in on it.... Michael Tracey, Twitter

And the response from Luca Cabrilo:

Michael you're 100% spot on. **Trump could have at any point killed this monstrous bill if he wanted to, but he didn't. He even let MAGA Mike go on TV and say that he and Trump are "100% agreed" on the Ukraine funding Trump screwed his base on this one,** no other way about it.

Michael Tracey again: He didn't just "not kill it," **he personally facilitated its passage**

Here's more background from Tracey:

**The bill**, designed after consultations between Mike Johnson and Trump, mysteriously **gives the President the ability to forgive the purported "loan" to Ukraine — immediately after the November election...**

And if that's not brazen enough for you, here's the catch: The funds eligible for "loan forgiveness" are the direct budgetary infusions to Ukraine — meaning the money that pays for the salaries of Ukrainian government workers and so forth —

NOT the military “aid,” which comprises the vast majority of the package. So, **only \$8 billion of the \$61 billion allocated to Ukraine is even \*eligible\* for “loan forgiveness” under the terms of this gargantuan bill. And even that was a fake “loan” to begin with — it never had to be paid back at all! So there’s your final Trump/Johnson bamboozle**, as the House GOP prepares to usher through the \*largest ever\* infusion of US tax dollars to Ukraine, by far, since the beginning of the war. All with Trump’s blessing, as Johnson has made abundantly clear. To underscore his close collaboration with Trump, Johnson has spent the past several days making the rounds on various conservative media, touting the inclusion of Trump’s “loan concept” in the bill. Michael Tracey

It’s all a big shell game and Trump is playing along with it to improve his political prospects. How else would you explain his performance in this dismal charade?

Trump obviously knows that his return to the White House will require significant compromise with the national security hawks and Zionists who run the government. So, we shouldn’t be too surprised that he’s trying to curry favor with them now. But for the people who thought Trump was a straightshooter; this has got to be a real eye-opener. They thought he could be trusted, but now it’s obvious that he’s just another Beltway phony trying to ingratiate himself with the Washington power-elite in order to shoehorn his sorry a\*\* back into the Oval Office. Here’s more from Tracey:

Sorry to be a “Broken Record,” but the “Elephant in the Room” here is genuinely Donald J. Trump. ....**Trump even warned Rep Marjorie Taylor Greene directly not to oust Johnson, during their joint press conference at Mar-a-Lago last Friday, April 12 — just before Johnson unveiled his war funding strategy, for which he proudly declares having secured Trump’s endorsement.** The bill even contains Trump’s repeated demand to structure the Ukraine funding as a so-called “loan”! **J ohnson proclaims that he and Trump are “One hundred percent united” on all of this** (direct quote) ...

**Trump has used his vast political capital** as three-time Republican Presidential Nominee to play his part assuring that the American political system mobilizes in perfect harmony **to unleash \$100 billion in endless-war funding.** Michael Tracey

If Trump is willing to play such a duplicitous role in securing the funding for the MIC’s perpetual wars, then why in-heavens-name would any red-blooded conservative vote for him?

One of the few people who has acted honorably in this fiasco, is Rep Marjorie Taylor Greene, who is clearly **one of the few members of Congress that genuinely gives-a-damn about the American people.** Greene delivered an epic rant on the floor of the House

yesterday following the vote on the Ukrainian aid package. Naturally, her heartfelt presentation appeared nowhere in the sellout media, so I transcribed most of what she said below. It's worth the time:

.... The United States taxpayer has already sent \$113 billion to Ukraine, and much of that money is unaccounted for. This is an example of a sick business model the US government wants to continue..... **The Congress votes for money for foreign wars that the American people do not support..... The American people do not support a business model based on blood and murder and war in foreign countries while the government does nothing to secure our border.**

The American people are over \$34 trillion in debt and the debt is rising by \$40 billion every night while we all sleep. But nothing is done to secure our border or reduce our debt. Inflation continues to rise every day and **Americans can hardly afford to pay their grocery bills, they can hardly afford to put gas in their cars, and they can hardly afford the rent.** And, now, average mortgage payments are over \$3000 when they were just \$1700 three years ago. **Young Americans don't think they will ever be able to buy a home and yet today, this congress thinks the most important thing they should do is to send another \$61 billion to the war in Ukraine that the American people –by 70%– do not support!**

... But, today, the most important thing this body thinks we should do, is not reduce spending, or drive down inflation, or secure our own border that is invaded every single day by people from over 160 different countries... **We have over 1.8 million 'got-aways' and we don't know who these people are... and yet we have people in this very congress 'talking tough' saying, "We have to defeat Russia. Oh, we have to protect Ukraine"** and yet , all of you are unwilling to protect the American citizens that pay your salary, pay to keep the lights on, and pay to keep the federal government running. And for what?

For nothing! Ukraine isn't even a member of NATO But all you hear in Washington DC is **"Oh, we have to keep spending America's hard-earned tax dollars to continue to murder Ukrainians to wipe out a whole generation of young men so there are (thousands of ) widows, and fatherless orphans, and not enough men to work in their industries. Oh, but you really support Ukraine. (sarcasm) What kind of support is that? It's repulsive!**

**Shame on the American government!** Shame on the American government! If we want to support our military, then support our military. We should be building up our weapons and ammunition, not sending it over to foreign countries to kill foreign people.

**And if this body was what it pretends to be, every single one of us would be demanding peace in Ukraine; peace for these people, so that no more**

**of them have to die. But you never hear anybody demanding peace. No, no, no. Peace is the last thing Washington wants because it doesn't fit the business model. This is a business model they say builds the American economy and protects American jobs. What a disgusting business model. We should have a business model that builds-up our American companies and American jobs to serve American interests, and our military and our government should care about protecting the national security of the United States of America and the Americans who pay their hard-earned tax dollars to fund all this.**

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Bravo, Marjorie Taylor Greene. You speak for a lot of us.

